



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) on November 19, 2004, please extend the time for response three (3) months to expire on May 19, 2005. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows.

Currently pending claims are provided in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.